

MEDUSA NUMMULARIA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Corpus gelatinosum, orbiculatum, depressam.

Os subtus, centrale.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 1096.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

MEDUSA orbicularis albida subpellucida radiata, subtus appendicibus tribus cæruleis.

Le PORPITE appendiculée.

Nouv. Dict. d'Hist. Nat.

Pulchram hanc Medusam, marium septentrionalium incolam, juxta magnitudinem naturalem depinximus. Radit sæpius hæc species summas aquas catervatim congregata. Habitu seu facie generali simillima est Medusæ Porpitæ Linnæi, quam inter et hanc nostram sæpius nullum discrimen fecisse videntur descriptores.

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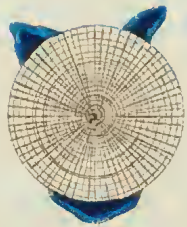
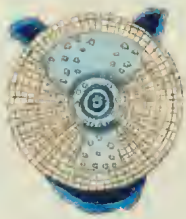
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THE
NUMMULAR MEDUSA.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Body gelatinous, orbicular, depressed.
Mouth beneath, central.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

Whitish, orbicular, subpellucid, radiated ME-
DUSA, with three blue appendices be-
neath.

The beautiful Medusa represented in its natural size on the present plate is a native of the northern seas, where it is often observed in considerable numbers, swimming on the surface of the water. In its general habit it bears the greatest resemblance to the Medusa Porpita of Linnæus, with which it appears to have been generally confounded.